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The proposed recommendation by the Commission on Streamlining Government directs the Louisiana Sentencing Commission to complete its work and provide the Legislature with recommendations for the 2010 Regular Session that will improve public safety and be cost effective to taxpayers.

EXPENDITURES	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The impact of the proposed recommendation depends on the recommendations issued by the Louisiana Sentencing Commission.

The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) requested budgetary funding for this program in November 2008 for the FY 10 budget, but was not funded. A request was submitted for the FY 11 and is still pending.

The Sentencing Commission has begun limited work on the sentencing structure, but without the necessary funding, the full research program will be difficult. However, the Sentencing Commission is proceeding with its work and plans to present its initial report to the Legislature in March of 2010.

The Sentencing Commission conducted limited reports using Department of Corrections data which has served as a starting point. The Sentencing Commission has identified statutory provisions governing each area identified in Act 629, began a statistical review of prison admissions and trends, and began a statistical review of recidivism relating to incarcerated populations.

To the extent the Sentencing Commission is able to determine recommendations that will improve public safety and be cost effective, the result could be a decrease in state general fund expenditures.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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